

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A method for accessing information in a peer to peer network, the method comprising:

storing information among a plurality of peer client systems, wherein the information can be accessed by the peer client systems, the information collectively referred to as information sources;

storing, in a first server system, location information, the location information indicative of the a location of each information source, wherein peer client systems can access the location information in order to determine a location of an information source wherein the peer client systems are configured to communicate with the first server system to access the location information;

generating, in the first server system, one or more subscriptions, each subscription being associated with an information source and with one or more peer client systems, wherein the peer client systems are configured to communicate with the first server system to subscribe to one or more information sources;

detecting, in the first server system, a modification to an information source, referred to as a modified information source the step of detecting comprising receiving, from a first peer client system, an indication that a first information source has been modified, and if the first server system determines that there is a first subscription that is associated with the first information source, communicating to the first peer client system a list of second peer client systems that are associated with the first subscription; and

if there is a subscription that is associated with the modified information source, then communicating an alert message to each peer client system that is associated with the subscription;

wherein the first peer client communicates an alert message to each second peer client system,

wherein each second peer client system ~~that receives an alert message~~ can access an information source that is associated with the alert message, a copy of the information source being stored in another peer client system, and

wherein each second peer client system ~~that receives an alert message~~ can access the copy from the other peer client system.

2 - 5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[5]]~~ 1 wherein one of the second peer client systems automatically accesses ~~[[an]]~~ the information source that is associated with the alert message.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[5]]~~ 1 wherein the first information source is modified by the first client system.

8 - 18. (Canceled)

19. (Original) A system for sharing information in a peer to peer network comprising:

a plurality of peer clients, each peer client in communication with other peer clients, wherein each peer client stores information, collectively referred to as information sources, wherein the information sources can be shared among the peer clients; and

a management server having information indicative of locations of the information sources, the management server configured to communicate with a peer client to provide location information to an information source so that the peer client can access the information source;

the management server further configured to receive requests from peer clients for subscriptions to one or more information sources, each such information source referred to as a

subscribed information source, and to associate each subscribed information source with one or more peer clients,

the management server further configured to receive information from a first peer client indicative modifications made to one or more of the information sources, each such information source referred to as a modified information source,

the management server further configured to identify one or more second peer clients based on a comparison of the modified information source against the subscribed information sources, and to communicate a list that identifies the second peer clients to the first peer client,

wherein the first peer client can communicate an alert message to each of the second peer clients,

wherein each second peer client, in response to receiving an alert message, can access a first information source associated with the alert message.

20. (Original) The system of claim 19 wherein one of the second peer clients automatically accesses at least a first information source associated with the alert message.

21. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 19 wherein one of the second peer clients generates a display to inform a user of receipt of the alert message, wherein the user can decide whether to access an information source associated with the alert ~~messag~~ message.

22. (New) A method for accessing information in a peer to peer network, the method comprising:

storing information among a plurality of peer client systems, wherein the information can be accessed by the peer client systems, the information collectively referred to as information sources;

storing, in each peer client system, location information indicative of locations of one or more information sources, wherein the peer client systems can access the location information in order to determine the locations of the one or more information sources;

generating, in each peer client system, one or more subscriptions, each subscription being associated with an information source and with one or more peer client systems, the step of generating comprising receiving a subscription request from a first peer client system and associating one or more information sources with the first peer client system, the one or more information sources identified in the subscription request; and

detecting, in each peer client system, a modification to an information source, the step of detecting comprising receiving an indication that a first information source has been modified and, if there is a subscription associated with the first information source, communicating an alert message to each peer client system that is associated with the first subscription,

wherein each peer client system that receives the alert message can access an information source that is associated with the alert message, a copy of the information source being stored in another peer client system, and

wherein each peer client system that receives an alert message can access the copy from the other peer client system.